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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Melanie D. Bissett  
Group Art Unit : 1711  
Applicants : Naoyuki Tani et al.  
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Filed : June 4, 2001  
For : WORKPIECE RETAINER AND METHODS FOR  
ATTACHING/DETACHING WORKPIECE BY USING THE  
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Mail Stop Amendment  
Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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- [X] Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
- [X] Amendment and Reply to Office Action;
- [X] Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for Extension of Time (in duplicate);
- [X] Check in the amount of \$110.00;
- [X] Limited Recognition Under 37 C.F.R. § 10.9(b); and
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith:

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FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

- [X] A fee for additional claims is not required.
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The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	- 20	=	X \$ 18	= \$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	- 3	=	X \$ 86	= \$ 0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			+ \$290	= \$ 0.00
				TOTAL <u>\$ 0.00</u>

- [ ] A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ in payment of the filing fee is transmitted herewith.
- [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16, in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.
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EXTENSION FEE

[X] The following extension is applicable to the Response filed herewith; [X] \$110.00 extension fee for response within first month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [ ] \$420.00 extension fee for response within second month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [ ] \$950.00 extension fee for response within third month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [ ] \$1,480.00 extension fee for response within fourth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [ ] \$2,010.00 extension fee for response within fifth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

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[ ] \$420.00; [ ] \$950.00; [ ] \$1,480.00;  
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MISCELLANEOUS FEES

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